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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PLACER

STANDING ORDER OF THE PLACER
COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

No.: 20-031

STANDING ORDER RE COVID-19
PANDEMIC: ORDERS RE:
CRIMINAL AND TRAFFIC MATTERS

Publicly reported data within the last few weeks has shown an increase in COVID-19 cases in the State of California, which now reports more than 1 million cases statewide. As of November 16, 2020, Placer County has seen a marketed surge in new cases, increasing to 19.4% in the last 14 days along with a positivity rate of 5.5% and more than 12 new cases per day per 100,000 people. As a result, over the past seven days, Placer County was moved from the orange ["moderate"] tier to the more restrictive red ["substantial"] tier on November 9 and subsequently to the purple ["widespread"] tier on November 16. On December 9, 2020, the State Department of Public Health announced the Greater Sacramento region, which includes Placer County, would be placed on a Regional Stay at Home Order effective 11:59 pm on December 10, 2020. It is apparent the

1 emergency conditions of the COVID-19 pandemic are intensifying in Placer
2 County and the surrounding counties.

3 In light of this and in consideration of the (1) declarations of a state of
4 emergency by federal, state, and local governments due to the COVID-19 /
5 novel coronavirus global pandemic; (2) Executive Orders by the Governor of
6 the State of California; (3) orders and directives of the Chief Justice of the
7 State of California; the court makes the following orders, effective
8 immediately:

- 9 • **CONTINUANCE OF MISDEMEANOR HEARINGS [Non-**
10 **Arraignment; Defendant NOT in Custody; Excludes Trials,**
11 **Driving Under the Influence, Domestic Violence, Drug Court,**
12 **and Traffic]:** The court will continue all non-arraignment hearings
13 in misdemeanor cases, **excluding trials, driving under the**
14 **influence, domestic violence, drug court and traffic cases,** set
15 between January 1, 2021, and January 15, 2021, in which
16 defendant is not in custody, to an available date at least twelve
17 weeks from the currently scheduled court date.
- 18 • **CONTINUANCE OF DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE AND**
19 **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MISDEMEANOR HEARINGS [Non-**
20 **Arraignment; Defendant NOT in Custody]:** The court will
21 continue all non-arraignment hearings in driving under the influence
22 and domestic violence misdemeanor cases, set between January 1,
23 2021, and January 15, 2021, in which defendant is not in custody,
24 to an available date at least twelve weeks from the currently
25 scheduled court date.
- 26 • For all of the foregoing cases, it is hereby ordered that:
27 (1) Defendants shall appear at the continued hearing date;
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- 1 (2) Defendants shall continue to comply with any applicable
2 criminal protective order;
- 3 (3) Defendants shall continue to comply with all own recognizance
4 terms, release terms, bail terms, supervised release terms,
5 supervised release own recognizance terms, and home
6 monitoring terms and probation terms during any
7 postponement period. Under any forms of release, if
8 defendant is required to report to the probation department
9 as part of their release order or probation terms, the
10 defendant is ordered to continue to report to the probation
11 department.


12 **This order DOES NOT APPLY to the following cases:**

- 13 (1) **Felony cases;**
14 (2) **Mental health treatment court;**
15 (3) **Cases where the defendant is charged with a crime**
16 **alleging a sex offense;**
17 (4) **Sexually violent predator (SVP) cases;**
18 (5) **Search and arrest warrants;**
19 (6) **Petitions related to bail;**
20 (7) **Juvenile justice and juvenile dependency cases**

21 **Scheduled felony and misdemeanor non-traffic arraignments**
22 **and all preliminary hearings shall remain set, regardless of the**
23 **defendant's custody status. Standing Order 20-028 remains in effect.**
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25 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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27 DATED: 12/16/2020

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HONORABLE ALAN V. PINESCHI
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court